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CAPE TOWN FOR AFRICA

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINT, CCPR, SF

SUBJECT: TRANSKEI BANS METHODIST CHURCH OF SOUTH AFRICA

REF: DURBAN 317

1. FOLLOWING RECEIPT REFTTEL, AF/S CONTACTED HEAD-  
QUARTERS OF FREE METHODIST CHURCH OF NORTH AMERICA, WHICH  
IS PARENT U.S. DENOMINATION OF FREE METHODIST MISSION  
IN TRANSKEI. FREE METHODIST OFFICIAL ADVISED THAT  
DENOMINATION IS ENGAGED IN EVANGELICAL AND MEDICAL  
MISSION WORK IN TRANSKEI, AND THAT IT MAINTAINS THREE  
AMERICAN FAMILIES PLUS ONE SHORT-TERM VOLUNTEER IN  
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TRANSKEI. GREENVILLE MISSION HOSPITAL IS ONE OF  
THREE HOSPITALS DENOMINATION SUPPORTS IN TRANSKEI.

2. FREE METHODIST CHURCH WAS UNAWARE OF MAY 26 BAN  
ON METHODIST CHURCH OF SOUTH AFRICA BY TRANSKEI GOVERN-  
MENT. OFFICIAL HERE ALSO BELIEVED FREE METHODIST  
ACTIVITIES IN TRANSKEI WILL NOT BE AFFECTED BY BAN

ON METHODIST CHURCH OF SOUTH AFRICA. HE DESCRIBED  
RELATIONS WITH TRANSKEI GOVERNMENT AS "GOOD" AND  
POINTED OUT THAT GOVERNMENT HAS RECENTLY ASKED CHURCH  
TO EXPAND ITS MEDICAL WORK. APPARENTLY NO SIZABLE  
ASSETS ARE AT STAKE AS TRANSKEI GOVERNMENT PREVIOUSLY  
TOOK CONTROL OF THREE MISSION HOSPITALS. CHURCH CON-

TINUES TO OPERATE HOSPITALS WHILE GOVERNMENT  
PAYS SALARIES OF MISSION DOCTORS. VANCE

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